

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:) Group Art Unit: 1764
Kindig et al.) Examiner: Alexa Doroshenk Neckel
Serial No. 09/800,421))
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For: "METHOD FOR THE TREATMENT)
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Commissioner for Patents
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This is in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of February 1, 2006, with respect to the above-identified Application.

Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136, extending the time period for response to August 1, 2006. Please debit the necessary fee (small entity) to Deposit Account No. 50-1419.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.